Chapter 27 Avoiding Sentence Errors

Each group below contains one correct sentence. In each group, find the correct sentence and circle the letter that indicates your choice.

1. a. Philip bounded up the stairs two at a time, he was exhausted when he reached the landing.
   b. Philip bounded up the stairs two at a time; he was exhausted when he reached the landing.
   c. Philip bounded up the stairs two at a time he was exhausted when he reached the landing.

2. a. She inexperienced in the world of business.
   b. Her inexperience in the world of business creates problems.
   c. Is inexperience in the world of business.

3. a. Charles carefully researched vacation spots before he discussed them with his wife and children.
   b. Charles carefully researched vacation spots, before he discussed them with his wife and children.
   c. Before he discussed them with his wife and children Charles carefully researched them.

4. a. Tom doesn’t usually like to cook, nevertheless, he enjoyed preparing a Hawaiian feast for his boss’s surprise birthday party.
   b. Tom doesn’t usually like to cook, nevertheless he enjoyed preparing a Hawaiian feast for his boss’s surprise birthday party.
   c. Tom doesn’t usually like to cook; nevertheless, he enjoyed preparing a Hawaiian feast for his boss’s surprise birthday party.

5. a. Finding an apartment in this neighborhood is not easy.
   b. Finding an apartment in this neighborhood not easy.
   c. To find an apartment in this neighborhood not easy.